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Enclosed is a copy of the Japanese Official Action and English translation thereof. Ohmori U.S. Patent No. 6,160,640 is the English language counterpart of JP 11055530 cited in the Official action. JP 09-55856 corresponds to Ohmori U.S. Patent 5,881,173 which has previously been made of record.

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